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Ms. Cheryl A. Harris, Associate Regional Administrator  
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Dear Ms. Harris:

Wisconsin submits the attached pre-prints for renewal of its Family Care 1915 (b) waivers WI-07 and WI-08. On September 24 we requested extensions of those waivers. On October 20, you denied that request, but indicated that you and your staff would continue to work closely with us to renew these waivers before their expiration on December 31, 2003.

We are still working to assemble and validate data from our new encounter reporting system, and the required cost-effectiveness appendices will be submitted under separate cover within the next two weeks. However, we submit these pre-prints and programmatic appendices now, in the spirit of helping to expedite the process, to allow CMS to begin its review of renewal documents.

We have also extended our contract with APS Healthcare Inc. to allow them to complete the independent assessment of the initial waiver using the new encounter data. That report will be submitted to you as soon as it is completed.

Thank you for your commitment to working toward completing the renewal process before expiration. If you have any questions or concerns about the process, or this submission, please contact Charles Jones at (608) 266-0991 or [jonescm@dhfs.state.wi.us](mailto:jonescm@dhfs.state.wi.us).

Sincerely,

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